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TO: NARD Board, NRD Managers and Conservation Partners
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RE: 14 NARD SINE DIE UPDATE

Legislature Adjourns – State senators adjourned Sine Die on April 13, 2006, ending the 60-day working session. Please take time to thank your state senator for their work this session.

Term Limited Senators Finish their Last Session -- Following are the 20 Senators that are leaving the legislature this year due to term limits. Senator Roger Wehrbein, Senator Kermit Brashear, Senator Pam Brown, Senator Patrick Bourne, Senator Pam Redfield, Senator Nancy Thompson, Senator Matt Connealy, Senator Jim Jensen, Senator Elaine Stuhr, Senator Marian Price, Senator Chris Beutler, Senator Dennis Byars, Senator Bob Kremer, Senator Jim Cudaback, Senator Ed Schrock, Senator Douglas Cunningham, Senator Don Pederson, Senator Tom Baker, Senator David Landis, and Senator Adrian Smith.

The following provides a list of bills passed (pages 1-5) and indefinitely postponed (pages 5-6). *Unless otherwise noted, the bills passed become 3 months after the end of the session.*

Bills Passed

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LB 32, NRD Director Per Diem – Lawmakers approved on a 45-0 vote to increase the NRD Director per diem from \$2,800 to \$3,600 annually. The maximum daily per diem remains at \$70.

LB 508 – Senators approved on a 43-0 vote to make several changes to water laws. Included in the bill were: (1) Changing the water well decommissioning formula for NRDs from the previous year's use to a three-year average; (2) Clarifying that groundwater reuse pits are not subject to surface water rights (**LB 1099**); (3) Allowing old wells that are being replaced to be used as monitoring, livestock or other non-consumptive uses less than 50 gallons per minute (**LB 1164**); (4) Adding a representative from the NRDs to the Water Well License and Standards Board (**LB 140**); (5) Allows Electric inspectors to break the seal on a well (**LB 822**)

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LB 898, Open Meetings Law – Lawmakers approved on a 41-0-8 vote to open meeting law changes. After the compromise amendment was adopted on Select File, the final version includes five changes to open meetings laws: (1) Agenda items shall be sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting; (2) Motions to close a public meeting must include the subject matter and the reason necessitating the closed session shall be identified in the motion; (3) If the motion to close passes, then the presiding officer immediately prior to the closed session shall restate on the record the limitation of the subject matter of the closed session; (4) Public bodies shall make available at least one current copy of the Open Meetings Act posted in the meeting

room at a location accessible to members of the public. At the beginning of the meeting, the public shall be informed about the location of the posted information, and (5) Attendees who don't object when the meeting is closed can later challenge the closing in court.

LB 924, Eminent Domain – Lawmakers approved on a 43-0 vote to make changes to the eminent domain laws. A condemner may not take property through the use of eminent domain if the taking is primarily for an economic development purpose. Economic development purpose is defined related to this section as taking property for subsequent use by a commercial for-profit enterprise or to increase tax revenue, tax base, employment, or general economic conditions. Exempted purposes include: (1) Public projects or private projects that make all or a major portion of the property available for use by the general public or for use as a right-of-way, aqueduct, pipeline, or similar use; (2) Removing harmful uses of property if such uses constitute an immediate threat to public health and safety; (3) Leasing property to a private person who occupies an incidental part of public property or a public facility, such as a retail establishment on the ground floor of a public building; (4) Acquiring abandoned property; (5) Clearing defective property title; (6) Taking private property for use by a utility or railroad; and (7) Taking private property based upon a finding of blighted or substandard conditions under the Community Development Law if the private property is not agricultural land or horticultural land.

LB 975, Livestock Waste – This bill amends the Livestock Waste Management Act in response to a 2nd Circuit Court of Appeals decision which impacted the portions of the federal CAFO rule. LB 975 eliminates the requirement that all large animal feeding operations need an NPDES permit and institutes a state construction and operating permit program. Lawmakers passed the bill 45-0-4.

LB 1060, Deficit Appropriations Bill – Senators approved the deficit appropriations bill. Included in the bill was \$2.6 million for Republic River water leasing programs, including leasing from Bostwick Irrigation District. Also, the spending cap for the Development Fund was increased from \$13 million to \$18 million. The only veto relating to natural resources was about \$23,000 for additional DNR personnel insurance costs. The Appropriations Committee only recommended restoring funding to HHS Public Health Aid and Qualified Health Centers, which was successful 41-0-8.

* **LB 1113, Requiring Public Access on NRD Projects** – Senators approved LB 1113 on a 47-0 vote which includes provisions to allow public recreation access to NRD water project properties and private lands under NRD easements. The Judiciary Committee's second Priority Bill, included 11 legislative bills. Of these, 10 deal with criminal codes and other related legal matters and the other was a modification of **LB 784, which required public access on NRD projects**. Most of the language on the compromise amendment on public access issues was taken from AM 3120, which was provided by PMRNRD. The language makes the following changes to protect private property rights of landowners that enter into easements with the NRD: (1) Requires the local NRD to provide public access on land owned and easements that permit public recreation. The easement would have to be specific to public access for public recreation. The local NRD board would establish rules and regulations for use; (2) Allows the district to identify access points; (3) Adds language that access would not be required if the NRDs costs was less than 20 percent of the total project cost; and (4) Establishes that a project must have at least a 150-acre pool before public access would be required under the proposal.

* **LB 1226 & 1226 A, Water Management Related Bills**– Senators approved LB 1226 on a 44-2-2 vote and LB 1226 A, which appropriated \$2.5 million for water management and \$2.5/year for stormwater program, also received final on a 42-2-5 vote. The appropriations included the concepts of using general funds for water management as proposed in **LB 1077**. Governor Heineman signed both bills into law.

The emergency clause was applied to the NRD levy section (LB971) so NRDs could include the change in the upcoming budget cycle. Other sections become operative 3 months after the end of the session. The 103-page bill, LB 1226, included the following bills related to water management.

- **LB 805, Creates the Interrelated Water Management Plan Program** -- Creates the Interrelated Water Management Plan Program to facilitate and fund projects under the Nebraska Ground Water Management and Protection Act. The program will function as a grant program and be administered by the Nebraska Natural Resources Commission and funds administered by the Department of Natural Resources. The commission will develop the guidelines and limitations for grant requests. A minimum of 20% local matching funds is required. The appropriations level included in LB 1226A is \$2.5 million/year
- **LB 933, Changes from the Water Policy Task Force** -- The bill makes several technical changes as proposed by the Water Policy Task Force, including: (1) Eases the restriction of use of specific cost indexes for adjustments to the cost of building development fund projects; (2) Corrections to dates, notifications, filings for surface water transfers and adjudications; (3) Clarification to public notices and hearings on review of instream flow rights; (3) Eliminates the reference to the Water Task Force finishing it's work by a date certain and allows it to continue to function as authorized by the Legislature; (4) Imposes a 60-day time frame for water well contractors to submit notices to DNR of installations and modifications to wells; (5) Requires municipalities to also notify the affected NRDs and adjoining landowners when they decide not to use a previously determined tract of land for a wellfield; (6) Adds irrigation efficiency and conservation of groundwater to the list of best management practices; and (7) Provides an exemption for municipalities from allocation restrictions imposed after November 1, 2005. The exemption for municipalities would be the greater amount of the Municipal Transfer Permit or the governmental, industrial and commercial uses plus 200 gallons/person/day for communities at the eastern part of the state to 250 gallons/person/day for communities at the western end of the state. The municipal exemption also allows for new industrial uses up to 25 million gallons annually for growth. The exemption from allocations would continue until January 1, 2026 at which time the allocation could not be less than the greatest annual use in the 20 year period. Any reduction of consumptive use by a municipality would accrue to the benefit of the natural resource district in which the municipality is located.

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- **LB 971, NRD Water Management Levy** – For natural resources districts located in a river basin, sub-basin, or reach that has been determined to be fully appropriated over-appropriated, the measure increases the levy authority to administer and implement ground water management activities and integrated management activities. The levy is in addition to the 4.5 cent levy and the extra 1.0 cent levy authority granted by LB 962 in 2004. The additional authority to exceed restricted funds budgeted is only for 3 years and applies as follows: (1) For 2006-07 – 3 cent additional levy (8.5-cents maximum). (2) For 2007-08 & 2008-09, a 2 cent additional levy (7.5-cents maximum). (3) Afterward, no additional levy authority, the maximum goes back to 5.5 cents (4.5 plus 1 cent for water management). *The emergency clause was applied to this section so NRD could include the change in the upcoming budget cycle.*
- **LB 1081, Noxious Weeds** – Allows a limited right of entry to weed control authorities to carry out control projects targeting specific weeds over a defined period of time without the prerequisite of individual notice. This authority is only available if the weed control authority

has published general notice specifying the specific weed or weeds to be controlled, the commencement date and the approximate duration of the project at least four weeks prior to the date of commencement of the control project. Landowners are not subject to fine for non-compliance with weed laws discovered, nor the costs of control activities carried out, under entry authorized by the bill unless the landowners were first served with individual notice.



- **LB 1097, Stormwater** -- Establish a \$2.5 million/year Stormwater Management Plan Program within the Department of Environmental Quality. The grant program will assist cities and counties that have a storm water management plan that has been approved by the department. (1) Not less than 80% of the funds shall be provided to cities and counties in urbanized areas, as identified in the federal register. (2) Not more than 20% of the fund shall be provided to cities and counties outside the urbanized area, and identified in the federal register. It requires that cities and counties applying for these grants provide a 20% match.
- **LB 1226, Water Management Changes from NRDs** -- Incorporates the amended version of LB 1226 as follows: (1) Allows a natural resources district that has imposed a limit or prohibition on the expansion of irrigated acres or otherwise limited or prevented increases in the consumptive use of ground water or imposed a moratorium on the issuance of new well permits under its groundwater management plan, to request that the Department of Natural Resources to place a stay on the issuance of new surface water appropriations in the area. (2) Adds the requirement that the department must use the best methodologies as well as scientific data and information to ensure that the conclusions and results contained in the report as to whether the basin is fully appropriated are reliable. It also requires the department to document in the report the data, information and methodologies that were used so that these can be independently assessed. (3) Requires the department to send notice of its preliminary determination of fully appropriated by certified mail to the manager of the natural resources district located in the designated area. It also requires that the notice contain the signature of the director of the department. (4) Allows districts to establish different provisions in its management area for different hydrologic relationships between ground water and surface water including establishing different provisions for water wells constructed before the designation and for those constructed after the designation. (5) Clarifies that increases in ground water irrigated acres that result from the use of water wells that were permitted prior to the effective date of the preliminary determination of fully appropriated but were not used for irrigation prior to the effective date could be subject to any conditions imposed by the applicable natural resources district. It removes the requirement that the wells be constructed within nine months prior to the determination. Wells would be allowed to be constructed under the existing one-year time frame allowed under the general permit statute. (6) Requires an integrated management plan to include a plan to gather and evaluate data, information, and methodologies that could be used to implement the development of the plan, increase understanding of the surface water and hydrologically connected ground water system, and test the validity of the conclusions and information upon which the integrated management plan is based. (7) Allows the applicable natural resources district to include all water users within the district boundary in an integrated management plan. (8) Clarifies that any permits for construction of new wells not completed by the date the determination of fully appropriated is made are going to be subject to any conditions imposed by the district. (9) Strikes language which would require districts to act jointly and uniformly by agreement of the respective boards of all districts that are included in the designated management area.

LR 259 CA, Increase Funding to Compulsive Gamblers – A constitutional amendment, LR 259 CA, to double the amount of lottery proceeds that go to the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund was approved on Final Reading on a 38-2-9 vote, and will be on the November 2006 ballot. The amendment, if approved by the voters, would provide \$1 million annually to the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund. The change would reduce the amount that goes to education programs and the Environmental Trust Fund program by about \$250,000 annually for each program.

Bills Indefinitely Postponed

(This list does not include bills that were incorporated into other bills and passed)

LB 359, Director of Natural Resources -- The bill proposed to change the engineering requirement of the Director of Natural Resources and adds other criteria. Existing statutory requirements remain including that the Director be qualified by training and business experience to manage and supervise the Department of Natural Resources.

LB 552, NRD General Obligation Bonds -- The bill would have allowed a natural resources district encompassing a city of the metropolitan class to issue general obligation bonds to be used for right-of-way acquisition and construction costs for flood control dam and reservoir projects within the district.

LB 565, Land Information System Program Act -- The bill would have created the Nebraska Land Information Systems Program. The purposes of the program are to develop, maintain, and provide easy access to accurate public land records, road and street address data bases, and related information through the use of information technology.

LB 848, Renewable Fuel Standard -- This bill would require that all gasoline sold in Nebraska after January 1, 2007 must contain a renewable fuel content.

LB 883, County Industrial Sewer Construction Act -- The bill would for counties to include residential development and continues to allow counties to own, construct, equip, and operate sewerage disposal systems and plants. The bill also renames the act to the County Sewer Construction Act.

LB 893, Allowable Growth for Political Subdivisions -- Proposed to redefine allowable growth for governmental units to be the percentage increase in taxable valuation due to improvements to real property as a result of new construction, additions, or improvements to real property which increased the value of the property rather than just the amount in excess the 2 1/2 percent base limitation.

LB 900, Open Meetings Act -- The bill proposed to define a public body to include courts and administrative agencies acting in a quasi-judicial capacity. Current law exempts entities conducting judicial proceedings unless the proceedings are for rulemaking authority, deliberating, or for administrative orders.

LB 930, Water Fee -- Proposed to create a per-acre water fee on irrigated land and a per-capita fee for municipal uses. The funds collected will be credited to the Water Conservation Cash Fund and enforced by the Department of Natural Resources.

LB 938, Wellhead Protection Area -- Prior to a hearing on a proposed Wellhead Protection Area, the bill would have required notification by certified mail to landowners that have surface water rights or of any registered wells in the proposed wellhead protection area.

LB 981, Geographical Information Systems -- This bill proposed to clarify that Geographic Information Systems data bases and data files developed and operated by a state agency or a political subdivision are public records and are available to the public if requested.

LB 997, Conservation Easements -- The bill proposed to create an income tax for perpetual conservation easements. The tax credit would be a maximum of 50% of the land value placed in the easement. The Department of Natural Resources would approve applications for the tax credit and submit the approved amount to the Department of Revenue.

LB 1076, Nebraska Environmental Trust Board Membership -- This bill proposed to add another citizen to the Nebraska Environmental Trust Board to make a total of ten citizens. The ten members would be selected by the following: A) 1 appointee from each of the three congressional districts, and B) the state would be divided into seven areas, by county boundaries, and one member would be appointed from each area.

LB 1098, Chemigation -- The bill would have changed the requirements for irrigators to get chemigation permits, install chemigation safety equipment and have that equipment regularly inspected by NRD personnel to insure that it is fully functional whenever any substance other than water is intentionally injected into irrigation distribution systems that are directly connected to waters of the state.

LB 1147, Director of Natural Resources -- This bill would have eliminated all the current qualifications needed to be the Director of Natural Resources.

LB 1156, Prohibit Irrigation on School Lands -- This bill would have prohibited irrigation on state school land at the end of the existing lease. The bill was targeted towards approximately 13,500 acres in the Republican River Basin and approximately 14,500 acres in the Platte River Basin and only would affect areas of the state considered either Fully or Over Appropriated.

LB 1225, Hydrologically Connected Water -- For purposes of the Municipal and Rural Domestic Ground Water Transfers Permit Act, the Nebraska Ground Water Management and Protection Act the bill would have defined hydrologically connected water to mean water limited to those areas within the land surface drainage basin of a single stream from which twenty-eight percent of the ground water withdrawn from a well, pumping at a constant rate over forty years, will deplete the flow of a stream.

NARD Bill Summary Tracking Sheet

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Bill or CA	Description	Sponsor(s)	Priority	NARD POSITION	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Amendments
31	Change well restriction provisions in ground water management areas	Schrock		Support	Natural Resources	1/26/2005	Indefinitely Postponed	
32	Change per diem maximums for natural resources district board members NARD Bill	Schrock		Support	Natural Resources	1/26/2005	Approved 45-0	Governor signed 3/22/06
39	Change Board of Regents limitations governing employment of professional foresters	Raikes		Support	Education	2/8/2005	Approved 30-0	Governor signed 4/7/05
77	Change motor vehicle registration fee distribution	Baker		Oppose	Transportation	1/18/2005	Indefinitely Postponed	
102	Authorize natural resources districts, counties, and certain cities to establish and fund storm water management areas	Nat. Res. Committee		Support	Natural Resources	1/19/2005	Indefinitely Postponed	
120	Change Livestock Waste Management Act permit conditions	Louden, Erdman, Kremer, et al.		Monitor	Natural Resources	2/16/2005	Indefinitely Postponed	AM784, AM1035, AM 1476, AM 1878
140	Change membership on the Water Well Stds. and Cont. Licensing Bd. NARD Bill	Schrock		Support	Natural Resources	1/26/2005	Indefinitely Postponed	Amended into LB 508 and passed
154	Change restrictions on water well construction and repair	Baker		Oppose	Natural Resources	2/11/2005	Indefinitely Postponed	
217	Adopt the Public Facilities Construction and Finance Act	Connealy, Cornett, et al.	Flood	Support	Government	1/26/2005	Approved 47-0	Governor signed 4/7/05
335	Provide an exemption under the Industrial Ground Water Regulatory Act	Schrock		Oppose	Natural Resources	1/21/2005	Approved 47-0	Governor signed 4/7/05 (Includes provisions of LB 619)
356	Change tax levy provisions for cities, villages, and counties	Janssen		Monitor	Revenue	2/4/2005	Indefinitely Postponed	
359	Change qualifications for the Director of Natural Resources NARD Bill	Kremer		Support	Natural Resources	1/26/2005	Indefinitely Postponed	AM2335
386	Change the definition of allowable growth for political subdivisions	Kremer, Aguilar		Support	Revenue	2/4/2005	Indefinitely Postponed	
390	Change Livestock Waste Management Act permit conditions	Smith		Support	Natural Resources	2/16/2005	Indefinitely Postponed	
425	Appropriate funds for state government expenses	Speaker Brashear		Support	Appropriations	2/22/2005	Approved 34-10	Governor signed 5/24/05
472	Provide an income tax credit for donations of perpetual conservation easements and impose a fee on wells	Beutler		Oppose	Revenue	2/16/2005	Indefinitely Postponed	
508	Change cost-share for decommissioning illegal water wells NARD Bill	Schrock		Support	Natural Resources	1/26/2005	Approved 43-0	Governor signed 3/16/06
519	Change conflict of interest provisions for certain officials	Brown		Neutral	Government	2/24/2005	Indefinitely Postponed	Provisions amended into LB242 (AM840) and passed.
552	Authorize issuance of bonds by certain natural resources districts	Schrock, Jensen		Support	Natural Resources	2/24/2005	Indefinitely Postponed	
553	Change election provisions for directors of natural resources districts	Schrock, Beutler		Support with Amd	Natural Resources	2/24/2005	Indefinitely Postponed	
565	Adopt the Land Information System Program Act and provide funding	Wehrbein		Support	Government	2/16/2005	Indefinitely Postponed	
591	Change provisions relating to public records and open meetings law	Preister		Oppose	Government	2/10/2005	Indefinitely Postponed	
619	Adopt the Safety of Dams and Reservoirs Act	Schrock		Support with Amd	Natural Resources	2/4/2005	Indefinitely Postponed	Provisions amended into LB335 (AM289)
708	Change provisions relating to the domestic use of ground water	Kremer, Beutler, Bourne, Synowiecki		Oppose	Natural Resources	2/24/2005	Indefinitely Postponed	
2006 Legislation								
784	Require natural resources districts and municipalities to ensure public access to public projects	Mines, Dw. Pedersen		Oppose	Judiciary Committee	1/26/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	Amended into LB1113 (support AM 3256 on SF to LB 1113)
799	Place restrictions on the use of eminent domain	Baker, Kremer, Wehrbein		Monitor	Judiciary Committee	2/15/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	
805	Create the Interrelated Water Management Plan Program	Natural Resources Committee		Support	Natural Resources	1/18/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	Included in LB 1226 - Com AM 2578
822	Change provisions relating to water well regulation and pump installation	Kremer		Monitor	Natural Resources	2/9/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	
848	Establish a renewable fuel content standard for gasoline	Connealy, Schrock		Support	Natural Resources	2/10/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	
870	Change scrap tire grant provisions	Schrock, Wehrbein		Monitor	Natural Resources	1/19/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	Com AM1950
871	Change duties of the Environmental Quality Council relating to permits for solid waste management	Schrock		Monitor	Natural Resources	1/20/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	
874	Change provisions of the Pesticide Act	Kremer		Monitor	Agriculture	1/17/2006	Approved 44-0-2	Governor signed 4/13/06
883	Rename the County Industrial Sewer Construction Act and provide for residential sewerage development	Kopplin, Langemeier, et al.		Support	Government	1/20/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	
893	Change the definition of allowable growth for political subdivisions	Kremer, Aguilar, Johnson, et al.		Support	Revenue	1/26/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	
898	Change provisions relating to the Open Meetings Act	Preister	Preister	Oppose	Government	1/25/2006	Approved 41-0	Governor signed 4/12/06
899	Provide powers and duties to the Public Counsel	Preister		Oppose	Government	1/25/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	

900	Redefine public body for purposes of the Open Meetings Act	Preister		Oppose	Government	1/25/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	AM1856
901	Modify procedures for the granting of variances and renewals by the Director of Environmental Quality	Preister		Monitor	Natural Resources	1/26/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	AM1898
910	Provide restrictions on the use of eminent domain	Redfield, Erdman, Burling		Monitor	Judiciary Committee	2/15/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	
912	Exempt agricultural personal property from personal property tax	Schrock, Burling, Byars, et. al		Monitor	Revenue	2/8/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	
924	Change provisions of the Community Development Law and restrict the use of eminent domain	Fischer, Baker, Burling, et al.	Fischer	Monitor	Judiciary Committee	2/15/2006	Approved 43-0	Governor signed 4/13/06
930	Establish a water conservation fee and provide for its use	Beutler		Monitor	Natural Resources	1/18/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	Motion to Revive - Buettler
933	Change provisions relating to water resources	Natural Resources	Committee priority bill	Support	Natural Resources	1/18/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	Included in LB 1226 - Com AM 2578
938	Provide for personal notice and recording of wellhead protection area boundaries and controls	Baker	Speaker priority bill	Oppose	Natural Resources	2/16/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	
960	Change valuation of agricultural and horticultural land	Kremer, Baker, Combs, et al.	Heidemann	Monitor	Revenue	2/8/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	
259 CA	Constitutional amendment to change distribution of state lottery funds	McDonald, Kopplin, Wehrbein, et. al	McDonald	Oppose	General Affairs	2/13/2006	Approved 38-2	Will be on the November 2006 ballot
971	Change tax levy provisions for natural resources districts	Schrock, Stuhr		Support	Revenue	1/26/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	Included in LB 1226 - Com AM 2578
975	Change provisions of the Livestock Waste Management Act	Natural Resources	Committee first priority bill	Support	Natural Resources	1/26/2006	Approved 45-4	Governor signed 3/16/06
981	Modify public records statutes to include geographical information systems data	Thompson, Brown		Support	Government	2/1/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	
997	Authorize income tax credits for donations of perpetual conservation easements	Beutler	Speaker priority bill	Support	Revenue	1/25/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	AM2457, AM2840
1051	Exempt tangible personal property from property tax	Schrock, Redfield		Monitor	Revenue	2/8/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	
1060	Provide for deficit appropriations and transfers of funds	Speaker Brashear, at the request of the Governor		Support	Appropriations	(Natural Resource funding 2/1/2006)	Approved 41-7	Appropriations Committee Veto Override Approved
1076	Change the Nebraska Environmental Trust Board membership	Kremer		Monitor	Natural Resources	2/16/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	AM2456
1077	Appropriate funds to the Department of Natural Resources	Schrock		Support	Appropriations	2/1/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	
1097	Create the Storm Water Management Plan Program	Schrock		Support	Natural Resources	2/8/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	Included in LB 1226 - Com AM 2578
1098	Change requirements under the Chemigation Act NARD Bill	Schrock		Support	Natural Resources	2/1/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	
1099	Clarify Water reuse pits NARD Bill	Schrock		Support	Natural Resources	2/2/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	Amended into LB 508 and passed
1109	Change permit and disciplinary action provisions of the Livestock Waste Management Act	Schrock		Monitor	Natural Resources	2/1/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	
1113	Relating to Obscene Literature and Material	Bourne	Judiciary	Support	Judiciary	2/8/2006	Approved 47-0	Governor signed 4/13/06
1121	Appropriate funds to the Department of Economic Development to contract for an environmental study relating to a hydroelectric dam project	Brown, Pahls		Monitor	Appropriations	2/6/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	
1147	Eliminate the qualifications of the Director of Natural Resources	Kremer, Stuhr		Support	Natural Resources	2/2/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	
1156	Prohibit irrigation of certain educational lands	Schrock, Baker, Burling, et al.	Schrock	Support	Natural Resources	2/2/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	
1161	Provide powers and duties to the Environmental Quality Council	Preister		Monitor	Natural Resources	2/8/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	
1164	Change provisions relating to water wells NARD Bill	Schrock		Support	Natural Resources	2/2/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	Amended into LB 508 and passed.
1174	Annexation of rural water district	Friend		Support	Urban Affairs	2/7/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	
1186	Create the Renewable Fuel Infrastructure Cost-Share Program	Connealy		Monitor	Natural Resources	2/10/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	
1187	Provide for the sale and use of alternative fuel	Connealy		Monitor	Natural Resources	2/10/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	
1214	Change Livestock Waste Management Act provisions relating to cold water Class A streams	Smith		Monitor	Natural Resources	2/1/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	
1225	Change provisions relating to hydrologically connected water	Langemeier		Support	Natural Resources	2/15/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	
1226	Change provisions relating to instream appropriations, ground water, and management areas	Langemeier	Langemeier	Support	Natural Resources	2/9/2006	Approved 45-2	Governor signed 4/13/06
1252	Change eminent domain procedures	Synowiecki		Monitor	Judiciary	2/15/2006	Indefinitely Postponed	